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WAGON ROADS NEEDED

Horse Thief Most Important--Toby Extension

It is now but a short time until the Provincial Legislature will again meet at Victoria for the transaction of business. Therefore, now is the time to point out the necessity of the various ridges in this particular riding there are many public works badly needed and no doubt they will receive the attention required.

The Horse Thief creek wagon road is likely to receive more attention than any other creek and rightly so, although we may expect that other creeks will also receive a share of the attention.

Horse Thief creek is entitled to a road for many reasons, the principal one being the large amount of capital that has been expended on the road, the completion, resulting in the uncovering of large bodies of rich ore. Then the number of properties that would be benefited by a road 20 miles up the creek, about 10 miles to McDonald creek, is legion; passing on its way the Payson and other groups, and ending where the McDonald Mines could easily be reached. From McDonald creek the ground is practically level for many miles and one could be landed on meadows from the Montezuma and Virginia and on from the Hogg group, all of which have good showings and one to ship loads many other claims on route. The country is also very level up to the mouth of Horse Thief, the little creek, where the development among the period being swept by a huge glacier, on this creek numerous claims have been staked and thousands of acres of land have been developed, which has other groups that might be mentioned being the Phoenix and World's Fair, King Solomon and Kaslo, and the Empire, all of which have good showings and will ship ore as soon as the road is built.

Another very important road is the extension of Toby to Jumbo creek, which would bring to the front great numbers of properties and make the route to the highway permanent. Whips at the end of the extension is made the Jumbo creek owners are prepared to construct for miles of road to their property and the Leora will build eight miles of road.

The building of these two roads would do much towards the advancement of this district next season, for when they are completed the number of men now employed will be increased a hundred times.

MINING ITEMS

There has been quite a number of parties from outside parties after different properties in this vicinity during the past week or two. This is a good sign at this time of the year.

Inquiries have been made of the owners of the Stratford group, situated on Horse Thief creek. Parties whose names we cannot at present give, seek to get a lead on the group and commence work immediately. The group is owned by Messrs. Goss, Willard, P. Stratford, Paul Brennan and the Iverson.

The Omineca has a very fine specimen of copper glance ore from the Bagdad group, situated about 18 miles from Columbia river up Bagdad creek. The owners, Messrs. Hanson, McKenna, Hutchinson and Fock, have already accomplished considerable work on the property. The ledge from which this ore is mined is 10 feet high, for eight feet and has been traced across three claims, the Sunrise, Sunset and Copper Queen. They have started a tunnel and at the foot of the tunnel had two foot eight inches of ore, from which an average gave returns of 25 per cent copper. The owners report that it is a matter of a few days before they will have a full assay of the ore, and they are of the opinion that it is the greatest copper showing of any claim in the country.

The Highland mineral claim, situated on Spring creek, at the head of La Salle, is owned by S. Young of Calgary.

bury, and E. A. Mahon, of Montreal. For the amount of work that has been done on the claim they have a good showing. There are two parallel leads on the property. No. 1 lead can be traced for 500 feet and is six feet wide, and No. 2 lead, which is about 150 feet southwest from No. 1, can be traced for 100 feet and is about 10 feet wide. The ore is the same as the usual carbonaceous found on the Paradise, from which assays have been obtained ranging in value from \$2.25 to \$2.40 per ton. The work done on the property has been consisted of a crosscut tunnel and stripping the lead. It is said to be a very promising claim and work will be continued on it early in the spring.

Local Outcrops.

Joe L. McKay, of Simlar, went down the Horse Thief creek to see his own mine.

Fred Snook, secretary of the Elk Park Ranch Company, Atholville, has gone to Victoria.

County Court will be held at Golden Feb. 21st. We would expect there to be no break coming this time.

Sam. Breese brought down a load of sheep from his house on Kootenay river Monday for the new Canterbury sheep.

Records for Deeds-Powell's Office for section in South Atholville is being called. Records may exist at Golden on Feb. 21st.

Wm. Harrison and Master Clifford bought 500 lbs of large ling through the new Windermere last Sunday. This is the 122nd cent mark this winter.

Efforts are being made for the Golden Road to be made to get a grant of \$1000 from the Dominion government, which will be used to develop the Kootenay river with to be called the Kicking Horse river.

Master Jasper Lewis is building a house on Main street, Canterbury. The house is 100 ft. long and will have a home when I get it.

Rev. J. G. Duncan will conduct divine services next Sunday in the Presbyterian church in Windermere, at 11 a.m. Atholville, B.C. and Peterborough at 7:30 p.m.

Chamberlain, Ross of Peterborough have been accepted for standing cattle by Office C. Cameron, and lived in the Atholville jail.

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Joe Martin is organizing the opposition in the Provincial Legislature and states that unless Robt. McPherson agrees to acknowledge him as leader and support the opposition he will nominate a candidate to oppose him in the by-election. He is short of cash for another year.

The bridge being built across the Kootenay river by Mr. Hanson will be the longest one on the whole river, being about 500 feet in length. The water is about 10 feet deep at this point and very swift, so that the end of construction must be high, and some most commendable enterprise on the part of Mr. Hanson. The work is being supervised by Mr. D. Hale.

A slight had of Canterbury and Atholville letter and gentlemen drove over to Peterborough on Monday evening and in company with a number of Peterborough citizens proceeded to the residence of Mr. R. E. Bruce with the object of giving him and Capt. Armstrong a genuine surprise party. Unfortunately Capt. Armstrong had gone up to the Golden of Canterbury. The new hotel opened about the news of the news of the happy event. Mr. Yates having friends of the happy couple, who were invited to partake of wine and cake at the house of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kimpton. The guests were very much surprised to find that the newly married couple with a number of friends were to Peterborough where they will reside in future. The dinner party will be given at the house of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kimpton. The guests will be very much surprised to find that the newly married couple with a number of friends were to Peterborough where they will reside in future.

Wedding-Bells

The marriage of Miss Ada Z. Dunn of Windermere, to Mr. E. A. Mahon, of Peterborough, took place at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning in St. Peter's Church, Windermere. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Yates, of Golden, and the bride was given away by Mr. R. A. Kimpton and attended by Miss Hart of Windermere, while the groom was escorted by Mr. H. H. H. of Golden, of Canterbury. The new hotel opened about the news of the happy event. Mr. Yates having friends of the happy couple, who were invited to partake of wine and cake at the house of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kimpton. The guests were very much surprised to find that the newly married couple with a number of friends were to Peterborough where they will reside in future. The dinner party will be given at the house of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kimpton. The guests will be very much surprised to find that the newly married couple with a number of friends were to Peterborough where they will reside in future.

THE IRON CAP STRIKE

In the 400-Foot Crosscut

We have it on the best authority that the ledge has been struck in the 400-foot crosscut tunnel of the Iron Cap, one of McDonald Mines group, formerly known as the Red Line group.

This means a great deal to the future of this district as it was the difficulties which arose between the owners and bondholders of this group that retarded progress in this district to a considerable extent last year, and now this is offset by the fact that the property has now been proved by the same men to have a good ledge at a depth which is greater than any other mine in the camp.

This strike will result in many capitalists investing here during the coming season, who refused to do so last season owing to the already mentioned difficulties, although we believe they were not fully aware of the good showing in the mine even then.

Messrs. Colliet and Starbird are to be congratulated upon their untiring efforts to prove the value of the group under the many difficulties with which they have had to contend. They have spent a great deal of capital in developing the group and now their efforts are crowned with the success desired. A good force of men have been employed all winter, which is likely to be increased before long.

The McDonald Mines are situated on McDonald creek and this strike should assist materially in convincing the Provincial Government of the necessity of a wagon road up Horse Thief creek, over which the ore must come.

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We have many times pointed out that the Government should legislate so as to allow mining men or companies constructing public roads the tax on all ore coming over such roads until they are fully remunerated to the extent of the actual cost of such roads. The member who introduces legislation along this line will be doing a great deal for the mining industry in this Province.

In a practically new mining district like the Windermere united efforts should be made to make known the great advantages we have to offer new-comers, and more concerted action should be taken to accomplish the many public requirements arising. We find that instead of the harmony and good-feeling between the towns an uncalculated for jealousy exists. Let this "smallness" cease and allow enterprise and energy to take its place. If this district is to flourish let harmony reign. There is plenty of wealth in the hills for all, and those who work for the steady up-building of their own fortune are not the trouble-brooders.

"We won't get that road built, for we are Americans," said a mining man to the *Outcrop* quite recently. We sincerely hope that no such partiality as this will ever be displayed in this Province, much less in this district, if it is the *Outcrop* will erelong as it never has before. Our cousins to the south of us so far have done more towards opening up the various mining camps than any other class of people, and it is to them we must still look for developing capital. The British capitalists are always too conservative, too slow, although they readily take hold when once more enterprising men have proved the existence of a mine. However, we have a member whom we believe will see fair play, and men of any nationality developing our mineral resources can rely upon getting all necessary roads to enable them to market their ores.

It is impossible to doubt that the mining districts of the west have been rather injured than helped, by the injudicious and indiscriminate booming in the local press, but if this be true it is far more true of the local correspondent, who write occasionally for daily papers. This applies especially to new camps, and in them to individual mines of minor importance. The great camps and big mines not only do not need, but do not seek, this sort of advertising; in fact, it is often difficult to get reliable news of them. The case is altogether different from that of the systematically organized "whopping up" of some of the boom camps by means of paid advertisements and paid editorial space, as in the notorious example of the Southern "boom towns" of a few years ago, when the central object of the scheme was rather to sell town lots than to invite capital for serious development, for the heavy capitalists are not so likely to be influenced by this sort of shouting as are people of small means and those at a distance unable to look into things for themselves, or obtain expert advice, before investing. On the contrary, in our western camps the efforts of the local newspapers are almost invariably inspired by the most commendable motives, and the habit of oversteering everything has become so common that nobody considers it dishonest, since it is generally understood that a liberal discount is to be taken off all around. The trouble is that no definite standard has been as yet set up by which to measure the amount of allowance to be made. Nobody is deceived, yet the amount of information imparted is often vaguely small.

The curious survival of early misty days when "everything went" about mining is like the parallel one on a larger scale, in which we occasionally find people who believe certain things because they saw them "in print." This latter order of beings is rapidly becoming extinct. So also are those who are likely to be taken in by distorted accounts of mines or mining districts, and those who are thus deceived are hardly the ones whose opinion or backing would be of any substantial assistance to the camps or the mines boomed. On the contrary, a repulsive effect is the usual outcome, and the local press ultimately goes out of business.

In the long run it pays to tell the truth. Misstatements at the outset, or in any particular at any time, are bound to be exposed, and then a prejudice is established, even against the most meritorious properties, which it is hard to overcome. A conservative, honest account of the actual facts so far as it is possible to ascertain them, is of real value in placing matters before the outside world; and the only people who are likely to invest are quite able to "size up" unreliable printed descriptions. So far *The Outcrop* has been enabled with great care to give reliable mining news and in the coming season we hope to visit a great many claims so as to keep our readers supplied with the actual facts of this camp.

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For right of you both my eyes each
As they ne'er before oak.

With your voice my ears ring,
And a sweeter ne'er rang,
Like a bird on the wing,
When at morn it is wing,
And glances me it shall bring, such
As never voice bring.

My feelings I'd write
But they cannot be wrote;
And who can indite
What was never indite!
And my love I listen to plight—the first
That I plight.

Yes, you I would choose,
Whom I long ago chose,
And my faint spirit ones,
As it never yet ones,
And ever you do I miss, as never
man more.

The house where you bide,
Is a blessed abode;
Sure, my hope I can't bid,
For they will not be bid,
And no person living has sight, as,
darling, I've so bid.

Your glances they shine
As no others have shine,
And all else I'd resign,
That a man could resign,
And surely no other would pine as I
lately have pine.

And don't you for get
You will ne'er to forget,
You never should forget,
As at times you have fret,
I would chase all the bears that boast if
they ever best.

For you I would waive
Songs that never were wrote,
And deeds I'd achieve,
Which no man achieve,
And for me you never give as far you
I have give.

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CHAPTER XIV

Miss Violet and the Trude-Lad were
sitting on a bench in front of the cabin,
she peering at him, he watching her.
"Go on," she said warily.
"And then we shall have a house in
Park Lane."

"We had that before—next door to
the Duke of Something."

"Yes, in the good old days; I for-
get the number. I shall have a private
banquet to feed down to Board Meetings
in city; and when I come home I'll sit
the evening you shall entertain all the
politicians we do business with. We
shall get tremendous investments over
the dinner table. Won't it be jolly?"

She gasped. "Yes, I suppose so.
What will you do with my Uncle?"

"Oh, he shall be our general agent in
South Africa."

"That's a long way off, and perhaps
he'll get wrecked coming here. I like
that part. He shall have a large monu-
mental window."

"Yes, a huge one, or say a dozen to
St. Paul's Cathedral. Of course, I shall
be a great benefactor to all sorts of
things, and they'll put your picture in
Sketches as the great philanthropist's
wife, of course, with an interview."

"An interview! All about you, I sup-
pose?"

"So about my great gifts to the Poly-
technic, my College for Commercial
Travelers, my Concordia University."
"Then you can write the beastly thing
yourself; so there!"

"I intend to be a very great man,"
said the Trude-Lad, dreamily. "Oh,
course, you must never interrupt me in
the evenings when I'm busy dictating to
my secretaries."

"What shall I do then?"

"Oh, I don't know. You'll have lots
of things to manage—servants, dinner-
parties, and—"

She dropped her potatoes and kicked
over the table, scattering its contents
broadcast.

"Pick them up," she said.

"He picked them up."

The little lady sat with her elbows on
her knees, her face in her hands, smiling
at the absurdity of raw potatoes, staring
absolutely white out into the Sunday
skinned the afternoon. "I was a wee
dead," she said miserably, addressing
the lucky Mountains over the way.

"But why?" He sat up on his
haunchs, she pulled her hands on earthy
vegetable in the other, staring horrified.

"You shouldn't say such things. It's
wicked. I won't have you say such
things. I shall be!"

"You won't?" muttered Miss Violet
violently; then gazing down at him
with portentous cupids she said—
"Hush!"

"Oh, I say!"

"Yes, you say. It's always you—I'll
this, or I'll that. It's my wish—I'll
I'll be made of it. There's nothing
in you for I'll be. Now, you listen to
what little me says—I hate you, and if I
marry you I'll make you as miserable
as I am, you too!"

"My dear, I love you."

"No, you don't—you only love your-
self; but I've got to marry you to get
away from my Uncle. He gets on my
nerves, the way!"

Mr. Ramsay stared.

"Go away!"

Mr. Ramsay went sorrowfully away
down towards the mill, where Mr. Bur-
rows was saying his Sunday afternoon
prayers to the steeplechaser. Half way
among the trees, and just out of sight
from the cabin, was a big wooden flume
carrying water-power for a plant of
turbines which turned the Burrows'
generators, which actuated the fast
which ground the stone, which held
the gold, which was to pay for
the Park Lane house—for that is
the stuff which dreams are made of.
Mr. Ramsay sat down on the flume feel-
ing very miserable.

But he felt worse than miserable
presently when he saw a horseman ride
up to the mill whom he recognized to be

after dinner at the Blackguard.

"Hello, Burrows!" In Maucha's big
voice rang out through the woods.
"What a wee I'll with you, Burrows. Come
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out and talk like a white man. You won't—oh, well, I'll talk while you keep your mouth shut. Are you in charge of Miss Violet Burrows? You are, eh? All right, I'm paying my address to Miss Violet, and if she'll have me I'm going to marry her. If you don't? Yes, marry her. I didn't ask for your consent—I only ask favors from gentlemen. All right, Burrows, be good to yourself."

So having professed her gratitude, the Macdonald turned his horse up to the house to the lady.

Meanwhile Mr. Ramsey was considerably amused, out of sight, running through the trees for dear life, determined to get the lady out of his reach.

"Violet," he cried hysterically, coming up before the cabin, "come with me—there's a great big caribou grazing on the spur." He ran into the cabin, snatching up his rifle. "Come by the back way—quick!"

"You saw a caribou?" said Miss Violet calmly. "You were down in the timber and you saw him up on the spur?"

"Come quick!" he cried in an ecstasy of excitement. But she would not move from her seat. Then the Blackguard emerged from the timber, riding steadily up the slope.

"I see," said Miss Violet. "Benjamin, Charlie, or you'll lose your caribou; I'll stay here."

Mad with excitement, Mr. Ramsey seized her forcibly by the wrist, and half-dragged, half-carried her into the cabin.

"You don't meet him," he cried. "You don't—don't you?"

Flashed with a sudden rage, Miss Violet wrenched herself loose, struck him violently across the face, then ran out of the cabin and headlong down the hill.

When the Blackguard jumped from his horse at the sight of her, she, scarce knowing what she did, flung herself into his arms.

"My love, he said gently, "what's the matter? Poor little woman, who frightened you?"

She was crying like a frightened child, clinging to him, swinging to and fro, while big sobs shook her little body.

Then suddenly she stopped short, and looked up in his face very much surprised.

"What was I doing?" she said.

"Breaking my heart with your trouble—poor little woman. Tell me who hurt you, and I'll kill him at once. Why, your wrists are all bruised and red. Who dared to touch you?"

But she would not say.

"Then I won't trouble you by asking questions, dear. I love you too much for that. I came the first moment I could when I got the letter."

"What letter?" she asked with the frankness of innocence.

"What letter?" he laughed. "A little bit of letter that said, 'Come back'—and said, 'I love you, Blackguard, though you are a bad lot.'"

"You are, you know."

"I was until I loved you, dear; but now—by the mercy that is in love—I'm good again. Do you know what is the best thing God ever made?—laughter and tears mixed up in a woman's face. And you've composed you love me?"

"Don't be silly."

"That means, 'don't wait,' and so he kissed her on the lips."

"I don't think I quite love you, after all, you've never put on your uniform yet when you've come to see me. I suppose I'm not worth all that trouble though."

"I will next time," he said, "for our wedding day."

"But what?"

"Sit down and I'll tell you."

"Won't your horse run away?"

"Who could run away when you're in sight, Violet?"

"That's quite silly. They say things like that in a novel."

She sat down beside him, and they two watched the black horse smelling the local grass with an air of disengagement.

"It's very silly of you to marry a Blackguard, Violet."

"I never said I would."

"They only say it in books. In life they mean it. Do you know, I've nothing to marry on but three pigs, a few boxes of cigars, one hundred dollars and the chance of a job looking horses? Now I suppose you could do much better than that, eh?"

"A horse in Park Lane," she said, "and dinners for city people in the evening; but I mustn't interrupt him while he's busy."

Her hand stole into his, and he kissed it after the manner, perhaps, of the Spanish Court. Then he thought—after the manner of the Blackguard—that she was not so cold, and more responsive.

They were.

"I can know," she said half-faithfully, "that it is more or less damp."

"My horse still very dry."

At that she started up, laughing and catching her breath, "catch me, and she ran for the woods."

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